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ESSENTIAL GRASS TRIMMER

FOR DOMESTIC LAWN TRIMMING



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MODEL NUMBER: GGT-250



THE POWER GUIDE

Original instructions

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Introduction

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Congratulations!

You have made an excellent choice with the purchase of this quality Gardening Essentials brand product. By doing so you now have the assurance and peace of mind which comes from purchasing a product that has been manufactured to the highest standards of performance and safety, supported by the high quality standards of Aldi.

We want you to be completely satisfied with your purchase so this Gardening Essentials product is backed by a comprehensive manufacturer's 3 year warranty and an outstanding after sales service through our dedicated Helpline. We hope you will enjoy using your purchase for many years to come.

If you require technical support or in the unlikely event that your purchase is faulty please telephone our Helpline for immediate assistance. Faulty product claims made within the 3 year warranty period will be repaired or replaced free of charge provided that you have satisfactory proof of purchase (keep your till receipt safe!). This does not affect your statutory rights. However, be aware that the warranty will become null and void if the product is found to have been deliberately damaged, misused or disassembled.

Trimmer



Always read the instructions for electrical products carefully before use. It will help you understand your product better and avoid unnecessary risks. Keep this instruction manual in a safe place for future use.

This trimmer is intended for cutting grass, i.e. for the maintenance of lawns.

Safety instructions

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Explanation of symbols



Read the instructions carefully.



Conformity with the relevant EU safety directives.



Class II machine - double insulation - earth connection not required.



Denotes risk of personal injury, loss of life or damage to the tool in case of non-observance of the instructions in this manual.



Indicates electrical shock hazard.



Remove the plug from the mains socket



Do not use in rain or wet weather



Always wear safety glasses, hearing protection, safety shoes and heavy-duty work clothing!



Keep at a safe distance.



Defective and/or scrapped electrical or electronic tools should be handed in to a recognized collection point for reprocessing.



Keep bystanders a safe distance away from the machine to protect from flying debris.

General safety instruction

WARNING Read all safety warnings and all instructions. Failure to follow the warnings and instructions may result in electric shock, fire and/or serious injury. Save all warnings and instructions for future reference. The term “power tool” in the warnings refers to your mains-operated (corded) power tool or battery-operated (cordless) power tool.

1) Work area safety

- a) Keep work area clean and well lit. Cluttered or dark areas invite accidents.
- b) Do not operate power tools in explosive atmospheres, such as in the presence of flammable liquids, gases or dust. Power tools create sparks which may ignite the dust or fumes.
- c) Keep children and bystanders away while operating a power tool. Distractions can cause you to lose control.

2) Electrical safety

- a) Power tool plugs must match the outlet. Never modify the plug in any way. Do not use any adapter plugs with earthed (grounded) power tools. Unmodified plugs and matching outlets will reduce risk of electric shock.
- b) Avoid body contact with earthed or grounded surfaces, such as pipes, radiators, ranges and refrigerators. There is an increased risk of electric shock if your body is earthed or grounded.
- c) Do not expose power tools to rain or wet conditions. Water entering a power tool will increase the risk of electric shock.
- d) Do not abuse the cord. Never use the cord for carrying, pulling or

unplugging the power tool. Keep cord away from heat, oil, sharp edges or moving parts. Damaged or entangled cords increase the risk of electric shock.

- e) When operating a power tool outdoors, use an extension cord suitable for outdoor use. Use of a cord suitable for outdoor use reduces the risk of electric shock.
- f) If operating a power tool in a damp location is unavoidable, use a residual current device (RCD) protected supply. Use of an RCD reduces the risk of electric shock.

3) Personal safety

- a) Stay alert, watch what you are doing and use common sense when operating a power tool. Do not use a power tool while you are tired or under the influence of drugs, alcohol or medication. A moment of inattention while operating power tools may result in serious personal injury.
- b) Use personal protective equipment. Always wear eye protection. Protective equipment such as dust mask, non-skid safety shoes, hard hat, or hearing protection used for appropriate conditions will reduce personal injuries.
- c) Prevent unintentional starting. Ensure the switch is in the off-position before connecting to power source and/or battery pack, picking up or carrying the tool. Carrying power tools with your finger on the switch or energising power tools that have the switch on invites accidents.
- d) Remove any adjusting key or wrench before turning the power tool on. A wrench or a key left attached to a rotating part of the power tool may result in personal injury.
- e) Do not overreach. Keep proper footing and balance at all times. This enables better control of the power tool in unexpected situations.
- f) Dress properly. Do not wear loose clothing or jewellery. Keep your hair, clothing and gloves away from moving parts. Loose clothes, jewellery or long hair can be caught in moving parts.
- g) If devices are provided for the connection of dust extraction and collection facilities, ensure these are connected and properly used. Use of dust collection can reduce dust-related hazards.

4) Power tool use and care

- a) Do not force the power tool. Use the correct power tool for your application. The correct power tool will do the job better and safer at the rate for which it was designed.
- b) Do not use the power tool if the switch does not turn it on and off. Any power tool that cannot be controlled with the switch is dangerous and must be repaired.
- c) Disconnect the plug from the power source and/or the battery pack from the power tool before making any adjustments, changing accessories, or storing power tools. Such preventive safety measures reduce the risk of starting the power tool accidentally.
- d) Store idle power tools out of the reach of children and do not allow persons unfamiliar with the power tool or these instructions to operate the power tool. Power tools are dangerous in the hands of untrained users.
- e) Maintain power tools. Check for misalignment or binding of moving parts, breakage of parts and any other condition that may affect the power tool's operation. If damaged, have the power tool repaired before use. Many accidents are caused by poorly maintained power tools.
- f) Keep cutting tools sharp and clean. Properly maintained cutting tools with sharp cutting edges are less likely to bind and are easier to control.
- g) Use the power tool, accessories and tool bits etc. in accordance with these instructions, taking into account the working conditions and the work to be performed. Use of the power tool for operations different from those intended could result in a hazardous situation.

5) Service

- a) Have your power tool serviced by a qualified repair person using only identical replacement parts. This will ensure that the safety of the power tool is maintained.

Special safety precautions

Dispose of plastic bags safely - they are a suffocation hazard for young children.

- This appliance is not intended for use by persons (including children) with reduced physical, sensory or mental capabilities, or lack of experience and knowledge, unless they have been given supervision or instruction concerning use of the appliance by a person responsible for their safety.
- Children should be supervised to ensure that they do not play with the appliance.
- Keep the area you are working in clean and tidy.
- Do not use power tools in the rain or wet environments.
- Do not use power tools where there is a risk of fire or explosion - i.e. near flammable liquids or gases.
- Do not allow children into the area where you are working.
- Do not let children or other people touch power tools.
- Do not leave the power tool unattended.
- Store in a dry place well out of reach of children.
- Always use safety glasses. We also recommend the use of ear protectors.
- Wear non-slip safety shoes. Do not wear sandals or open-toed shoes.
- Before using any power tool, check first for damaged parts and if found do not use it before the part or parts have been replaced with new ones.
- Do not use power tools when you are tired or have been drinking alcohol.
- Do not force the appliance - let it work at the rate for which it was intended.
- Do not overreach while working - you may lose your balance.
- You must switch off your tool at the tool's on/off switch after use.
- Never use this appliance without the safety guard fitted. It must always remain fitted.
- Always use an RCD (Residual Current Device) of not more than 30 mA, at the plug socket when using this appliance.
- Only use spare parts and attachments supplied by Ferm. Use of

attachments other than those supplied or recommended by Ferm will invalidate your guarantee and could be dangerous.

- Only use this appliance for its intended purpose - trimming grass and light bushes.
- Do not allow the power cord to lay on or across sharp objects that might pierce the outer insulation. Carry out a visual inspection of the power cord before use and if it is damaged, have it replaced by a specialist service centre. Do not use the appliance if the cord is damaged.



Above all - be careful!

Specific Safety Warnings



Attention: Danger!

- The cutting elements continue to rotate after the motor is switch off.
- If the cord becomes damaged during use, disconnect the cord from the power supply immediately. **DO NOT TOUCH THE CORD BEFORE DISCONNECTING THE SUPPLY.** Do not use the appliance if the appliance cord or the extension cord are damaged.
- Keep extension cord away from cutting elements.
- Never fit metal cutting elements to this appliance.
- Inspect and maintain the trimmer regularly. Have the trimmer repaired only by an authorised repairer.
- Keep your hands and feet away from the cutting area at all times. Keep your second (front) hand on the auxiliary handle.
- Always hold the trimmer at a safe distance from the body.
- Always wear protective goggles.
- Always use gloves.
- Only use the trimmer in daylight.

- Ensure the ventilation openings are clear of debris at all times.
- Ensure there are no people or animals within 5 metres of your trimming area.
- Before using the trimmer, remove any stones, sticks, toys or other foreign objects from the area.
- Take care not to injure yourself on the blade fitted for trimming the filament line. After extending new cutter line always return the trimmer to its normal operating position before switching on.
- Never reach into the underside of the appliance with the power still on. Remove the plug from the power socket before attempting to remove or touch the trimmer thread hubcap.

Mains Plug Replacement

If you in any doubt whatsoever regarding removing the old plug and reconnecting a new one, you should contact a competent electrician to do it for you.



Warning! This appliance is double insulated and must not be earthed. If you have to rewire at any time please connect as follows: Attach the blue cable (Neutral) to the terminal marked N or coloured black or blue. Attach the brown cable (Live) to the terminal marked L or coloured red or brown.

Double insulated



This power tool is double insulated. All the external parts are insulated from the mains power supply. This makes it unnecessary for this power tool to be earthed.

Using Extension cables

All electrical connections e.g. extension cable, must be of an approved waterproof type for outdoor use and marked accordingly. As a supply for this machine always use an extension cable of at least 0.75 mm². Always fully unwind extension cables before use.

Assembly & Parts list

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Product information



1. Power Cord
2. Safety button
3. ON/OFF Switch
4. Screw
5. Safety Guard
6. Spool button
7. Line cutting blade
8. Handle



Fig. 1

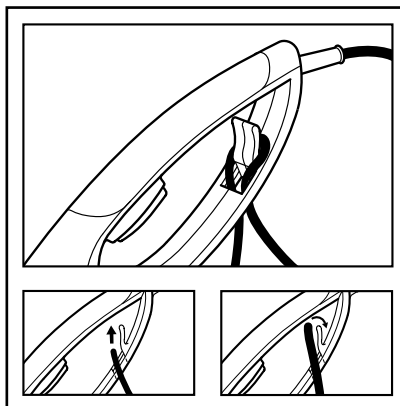


Fig. 4

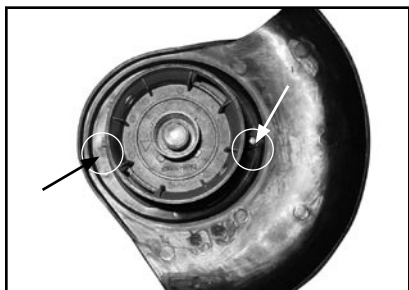


Fig. 2

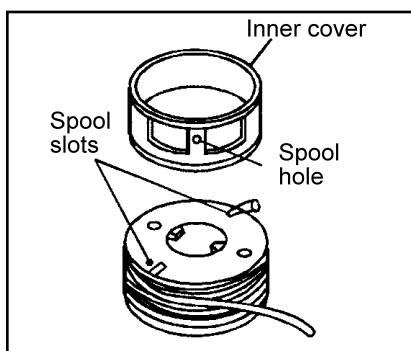


Fig. 3

Spare Parts List

No.	Description	Position
300784	Switch	8 + 11
300785	Screw knob	17 + 31
300786	Wire spool	23 TILL 26 + 41
300787	Guard complete	40 + 42 + 43
300788	Carbon brush set complete	21.8.1 + 21.8.3



REPLACEMENT SPOOLS

AVAILABLE TO ORDER

UK/ N.IRELAND HELPLINE NO
REP. IRELAND HELPLINE NO
WEB SUPPORT

0905-1460005 (£ 0,06/min)*

1520-932626 (€ 0,15/min)*

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* Applies to a phonecall from a BT landline. Other network including mobile calls may vary (As at October 2010).

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How to attach the guard

Fig. 2

Attach the safety guard and trim wheel to the base of the trimmer. Fix it with the supplied screw.

How to start stop the trimmer

Fig. 1

To “switch on” the trimmer first press the safety button. Now you can press the on / off trigger to switch on the trimmer.

To switch off the trimmer release the on / off trigger.

How to extend the trimmer thread

Tap the hubcap on a solid surface, until the nylon cable has appropriate length.

How to fit new trimmer thread

When you need to replace or fit new trimmer thread, remove the plug from the power socket and proceed as follows:

- Depress the release lugs on the sides of the hubcap. Pull the hubcap off the prop shaft. Remove the trimmer thread cartridge from the prop shaft and either replace it with a new cartridge or wind on new 1.4 mm thread.
- Push 110 mm of thread from one end of the reel through the hole in the hubcap and 110 mm of thread from the other end through the second hole. Re-fit the cartridge ensuring no thread is trapped. Refit the hubcap assembly to the prop shaft and push it in until it clicks in position.

Using the cord grip

Fig. 4

To help secure the plug to the power cord make a loop in the power cord (extension) and attach it to the cord grip as shown. Once secure attach the cord to the plug. This will prevent accidental ‘pull-out’.



Warning ! Switch off and remove the plug from the mains before investigating a fault.

Trouble shooting

The following table gives checks and actions that you can perform if your machine does not operate correctly. If this doesn't identify/remedy the problem, contact your service centre.

Symptom	Possible cause	Remedy
Machine fails to operate	Power turned off	Turn power on
	Mains socket faulty	Use another socket
	Extension cable damaged	Inspect cable, replace if damaged
	Fuse faulty/blown	Replace fuse
Machine functions intermittently	Extension cable damaged	Inspect cable, replace if damaged
	Machines internal wiring damaged	Contact service centre
Machine labours	Grass too high	Cut in stages
Machine is not cutting	Line too short/broken off	Feed the line manually/automatically
Line can't be fed automatically	Spool empty	Replace the spool
	Line inside the spool entangled	Inspect the spool, rewind if necessary

Lubrication

The machine does not need any extra lubrication.

Faults

Should a fault occur, e.g. after wear of a part, please contact the service address on the warranty card.

Environment

To prevent damage during transport, the appliance is delivered in a solid packaging which consists largely of reusable material. Therefore please make use of options for recycling the packaging.



Faulty and/or discarded electrical or electronic apparatus have to be collected at the appropriate recycling locations.

Other useful information

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Package contents

- 1 Main Body
- 1 Guard
- 1 Trim Wheel
- 1 Safety precautions
- 1 User's manual
- 1 Warranty card

Check the machine, loose parts and accessories for transport damage.

Technical specifications

Voltage	230V-240VAC, 50Hz
Power Input	250 Watt
Cutting Width	205 mm
Weight	1.5 kg
Trimmer thread	1.4 mm
L_{pa}	76 dB(A)
L_{wa}	96 dB(A)
Vibration	5.1 m/s ²

Vibration level

The vibration emission level stated in this instruction manual has been measured in accordance with a standardised test given in EN 60745; it may be used to compare one tool with another and as a preliminary assessment of exposure to vibration when using the tool for the applications mentioned

- using the tool for different applications, or with different or poorly maintained accessories, may significantly increase the exposure level
- the times when the tool is switched off or when it is running but not actually doing the job, may significantly reduce the exposure level

Protect yourself against the effects of vibration by maintaining the tool and its accessories, keeping your hands warm, and organising your work patterns

EC DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY



We, **Ferm B.V.**

Lingenstraat 6, 8028 PM Zwolle, The Netherlands

declare that the design and construction of the following machine, in the form supplied by us, comply with the requirements of the appropriate EC directives.

Product Description: **Grass trimmer. Model: GGT-250**

In conformity with the following standards or standardization documents: **EN60335-1, EN60335-2-91, EN55014-1, EN55014-2, EN61000-3-2, EN61000-3-3, EN50366, EN786.**

According to the provision of the directives: **2006/42/EC, 2004/108/EC, 2002/95/EC, 2002/96/EC, 2006/95/EC**

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CEO Ferm B.V.

09/2010

WARRANTY CERTIFICATE

Year of manufacture: 09/2010 GRASS TRIMMER GGT-250

Congratulations! You have made an excellent choice with the purchase of this Quality product.

Our commitment to quality also includes our service. Should you, contrary to expectations, experience defects due to material or manufacturing faults during private use within 36 months of the date of purchase we shall be liable for warranty in accordance with statutory warranty regulations, provided that: - The device was not put to any use other than the intended. - Was not overloaded. - Was not used with the wrong accessories. - The warranty period can only be extended for the duration of any repair required. The warranty certificate is only valid in connection with the receipt. Please keep both in a safe place. The warranty does not affect your statutory rights.

The product is guaranteed for a period of three years beginning on the day of purchase. Keep your purchase receipt safe as proof of the date of purchase. The guarantee period can only be extended for the duration of any repair required.

During the warranty period if the item becomes defective, in the first instance, please call the helpline.

We will, at our discretion either repair or exchange the device in accordance with warranty legislation.

Please include the following when sending in your product for repair:

1. The receipt (proof of purchase)
2. The warranty card completed with your name, address, contact details and a description of the fault.

If the original receipt is not enclosed the repair will be charged for in all cases. After the warranty has expired you can still send defective devices for repairs **FREIGHT PREPAID** to the address at the end of this booklet. Quotes as well as repairs after warranty period are to be paid for in all cases. Ensure the product is sent well packed as no responsibility can be accepted for items lost or damaged in transit. This warranty does not affect your statutory rights.



